



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. Patent Application of )  
ITO )  
Application Number: 10/770,479 )  
Filed: February 4, 2004 )  
For: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT, INTEGRATED )  
CIRCUIT DESIGN METHOD AND )  
HARDWARE DESCRIPTION GENERATION )  
METHOD TO GENERATE HARDWARE )  
BEHAVIOR DESCRIPTION OF INTEGRATED )  
CIRCUIT )  
Attorney Docket No. NITT.0189 )  
Art Unit 2825  
Examiner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment accompanying a Request for Continuing Examination and is in response to the Final Office Action dated May 18, 2005 in the above identified application, the period for response to which is set to expire on October 18, 2005, with a two-month extension fee filed herewith. Please amend the above identified application as follows: